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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Charles William Foster, Jr. was born April 12, 1828, in Tiffin, Ohio to Charles William and Laura Crocker Foster. He worked in his father's dry goods business and recruited volunteers to serve in the Union Army during the Civil War. He married Ann Maria Olmstead in Sandusky County, Ohio on November 8, 1853, with whom he had two children.

He was elected to the United States House of Representatives in Ohio from 1871-1879, during which time he participated in Treasury Department Reforms. He served as a delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1880. As governor of Ohio from 1880-1884, he supported the temperance movement favoring higher liquor taxes. He was appointed Secretary of the Treasury by President Benjamin Harrison on February 25, 1891 to fill a vacancy, serving until 1893. The gold reserves dwindled during his tenure, and the Panic of 1893 developed after he left office. He then returned to Ohio, engaging in several business interests.

He died on Jan. 9, 1904 and is buried in Fountain Cemetery, Fostoria, Ohio. Fostoria was named for his family.

"Foster, Charles". 1870 United States Federal Census. Retrieved 2015/01/05. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

"Foster, Charles". Ohio, Marriages, 2803-1900. Retrieved 2015/01/05. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

"Foster, Charles". U.S. Department of the Treasury. Retrieved 2015/01/05. <http://www.treasury.gov/about/history/Pages/cfoster.aspx>

"Foster, Charles William". Find a Grave Memorial. Retrieved 2015/01/05. <http://www.findagrave.com>

Scope and Contents

This collection includes an autographed, signed letter from Charles Foster in Washington, D.C. on 1891/10/10 regarding banking business.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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- Washington D.C.

Personal Name(s)

- Foster, Charles

Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Financial statements